

Amendment No. 1 to HB3272

Montgomery
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AMEND Senate Bill No. 3155

House Bill No. 3272*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-614, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

() The department of education shall establish within the school system with the most schools operated by the achievement school district (ASD) a four-year pilot program of assessment of kindergarten students. The pilot program shall begin with the 2012-2013 school year. Students entering kindergarten in such system in schools operated by the ASD shall be assessed by an appropriate standardized test or tests. The test shall measure the present educational levels of the students to determine how instruction should be targeted to best meet the learning needs of the students and to eliminate disparities in learning backgrounds, if any. At the conclusion of the four-year pilot program, the office of research and education accountability shall evaluate the program as to whether it should be continued and expanded. The office of research and education accountability shall report its findings and conclusions to the department and to the education committees of the senate and the house of representatives by July 1, 2016.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.